I have been listening to shortwave radio since I was 10 years old. I am now 36 years old.

If you go ahead with the BPL... I will loose my short wave listening hobby forever...

The Interference will be so bad.. I wont be able to even tune the short wave bands and hear a single station ever again. I became a licensed ham radio operator at age 15 from my interest in listening to shortwave radio on the same frequencies that will soon disappear if BPL goes through!

Over ham radio I have talked to King of Jordan and Senator Barry Goldwater when they were both alive. I have erected huge antennas to capture the faintest far of signals to talk to Africa, Asia, and even Antarctica. Ham radio is more that just a hobby to people its over 250,000 hams just in the united States alone. That is a lot of people all wondering where there passion for life has went?

If you go ahead with BPL my Hobby and My life and the lives of literally thousands of civil defense geared up Ham radio operators will forever be ruined all for a newer technology which will never provide the same kind of reliable safe wireless communications for disasters and emergency our country still could face in the future.

I always thought The FCC was here to protect us and our rights.. and interference of any kind would not be tolerated.. Not by the cable company or not by shoddy electronic gear produced overseas and shipped to the USA.. and certainly not from the power company to totally dominate the airwaves from 2mhz- 50mhz making shortwave totally unusable forever for ships and planes and thousands of radio hams...

Please say no to the big utility companies with their total disregard for other services being totally effected.

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